

TO: All Youth Basketball Players, Coaches and Parents

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SUBJECT: Registration for 2009 Youth Brightbill Basketball League

DATE: January 20, 2009

The **Lower Paxton Township Parks and Recreation Department** will be operating the **2009 Youth Basketball League** at Brightbill and Koons Park.

Teams will play on weekday evenings beginning end of May & ending in early August. Boys and girls are encouraged to register for the following age categories: 8-10, 11-13, and 14-17. The 5-7 category will be coed, focusing on "skill building" instructional play & will be held as a separate program at the Friendship Center. Separate divisions for boys & girls will be provided for the 8-10, 11-13 & 14-17 age categories. All teams must have a minimum of 10 players.

The Township Parks and Recreation Department will register teams on a first-come, first-serve basis. Registration deadline is **Friday, April 3, 2009 by 5 p.m. (No exceptions!)**. The Parks and Recreation Department may close registration if the maximum number of teams registered exceeds limit. Although we encourage team registration, individuals may register with the Parks and Recreation Office. We will attempt to combine the registrant with a team. If we do not have coaches for teams, the Township reserves the right to cancel the team. Fill out the registration form attached to register a team or an individual. Parents who are interested in coaching may write their information on the specified line at the bottom of the front page of the registration sheet. If you are interested in being a coach or an assistant coach, fill out your information on the back of the registration page.

All parents/guardians of players will be required to sign a waiver form before participation. For more information concerning this league or volunteering please plan to attend the meeting on **Saturday, April 25, at 9:00 a.m.** at the Friendship Center. Immediately following the meeting, coaches in attendance will be permitted to make additions or changes to their roster. All teams should have a representative present at the meeting so important information is received! **NO ADDITIONS or CHANGES will be permitted to a team after April 24, 2009.**

Questions may be directed to Lower Paxton Township Parks and Recreation Department at the Friendship Center at 657-5635 (ext. 123) between the hours of 8 a.m.- 5 p.m.

BRIGHTBILL PARK YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Age Groups: 8-10, 11-13, 14-17

Location: Brightbill Park Basketball Courts

Cost: \$50/player for Lower Paxton Twp. Residents
\$55/player for Non-Residents

Additional Information:

Registration deadline- Friday, April 3, 2009
Coaches Meeting- Saturday, April 25 (9:00 am) at the Friendship Center
T-Shirt Distribution Night – May 21, 2009
Opening day- May 26, 2009
Boys and girls are welcome, players ages are as of June 1, 2009
All league players must be age 8 as of June 1, 2009
All players will receive a game shirt
Each team typically plays 1-2 games per week
Regular season- late May- early August
Registration forms must be accompanied with a check or cash
Players listed on roster must be paid in full.
Registration forms must be mailed or dropped off with payment
Parks and Recreation Office hours 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon. through Fri.
No additions or changes after April 24, 2009
All team entries MUST have a minimum of 10 players (no maximum)

Cut along line

YES! I AM INTERESTED IN
Coaching or Assisting With Coaching
(Please circle specific interest)

Name

Day phone

Street

Evening phone

City,State

Zip

Email: _____

(Volunteer Application & Agreement required for coaches assigned by Lower Paxton Township)

Brightbill Park Summer Basketball League

Rules and Regulations

- 1.) NO PLAYERS MAY BE ADDED TO A ROSTER AFTER April 24, 2009! All players MUST WEAR A 2009 TEAM SHIRT EACH GAME-NO EXCEPTIONS! (Players without team uniform will not be permitted to play.) Shirts may not be altered. (Only sleeves may be cut.)
- 2.) Score will be kept during regular season for the 14-17 age groups only. All other age groups will not keep score until playoffs.
- 3.) Pressing Rules: During regular season staff has the authority to request “no press.”
 - A.) The 8-10 division may not press any team until 9 minutes left in game time.
 - B.) No 11-13 and 14-17 year old team may press if leading by 15 or more points.
 - C.) During playoffs, no team may press if they lead by more than 15 points.
- 4.) Fouls will be kept at the scorer’s table for all age groups.
- 5.) If a player or coach receives a technical foul, they will be ejected from the game and will be suspended for (1) game immediately following. Coaches must leave the park facilities; failure to do so results in forfeit of the game.
 - A) Second offense will result in a meeting with the coordinator.
 - B) Third offense will result in ejection from the league.
 - C.) The level of discipline shall be determined by the league officials, based upon the severity of the infraction.
- 6.) Good sportsmanship MUST be demonstrated by coaches, players and parents/spectators. PIAA referees will only be provided for the playoff games. **Coaches will be required to sign a “code of conduct” form at the coaches meeting or by May 26, 2009.**
- 7.) There will be two 18-minute halves with a running clock.
 - A) With 2 minutes remaining in the half, the clock will stop on dead balls.
 - B) The clock will stop during time-outs.
 - C) The only other time the clock will stop is at the referees’ discretion.
- 8.) All teams will make the playoffs at the end of the season. Rating forms may be distributed at preseason coaches meeting or else during the season.
- 9.) Teams are allotted 3 time-outs per game. Time outs will be 30 seconds each.
- 10.) Zone or Man-to-man defense will be left to the discretion of the coach. (Exception 8-10 age group must play Man to Man)

- 11.) Teams may not play unless a coach is present. If no coach is present, an adult must sit on the bench for the game to be played.
- 12.) Each team must start with a minimum of 4 players. Players must be part of the team roster.
- 13.) Games will result in a forfeit if a team is 15 minutes late.
- 14.) If a team knows in advance they must forfeit, please inform basketball staff and the opposing team's coach. If there is a "no call/no show" your team will be charged a \$10.00 fee. All fees must be paid prior to playoffs or your team will be disqualified from playoffs.
- 15.) Players may only participate on one team.
- 16.) A coach that is ejected during the playoffs for the current season may forfeit his/her right to coach a team for the following season.
- 17.) No jewelry may be worn during a game-this includes earrings, necklaces, bracelets, and anything else considered being jewelry. Players will not be able to enter the game until the jewelry is removed. Players will not be permitted to place tape over jewelry.
- 18.) Due to lack of court time all rained out games will not be made up. Inform all players and parents that the coaches will contact players in the event of any cancellations. **Please inform players & parents to not call the Friendship Center. Coaches will be contacted by staff directly.**
- 19.) Follow PIAA regulations for all other rules.
- 20.) Lower Paxton Township Brightbill Basketball League reserves the right to request birth certificate for proof of age.

BASKETBALL STAFF MAY BE CONTACTED BY CALLING PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AT 657-5635 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF MONDAY-FRIDAY, 8 AM - 5 PM.

Lower Paxton Township Parks & Recreation Department

2009 Brightbill Basketball Youth Basketball League

Must be received by **April 3, 2009** By 5:00 P.M.

Per Player

\$50 Resident of Lower Paxton Twp.

\$55 Non-Resident Of Lower Paxton Twp.

Coaches Last Name (Team Name): _____ **Age Group/Division Desired (A, B, or C if applicable)** _____

Brightbill Park Youth Basketball League Team Roster (This form can also be used for individual registrations)

*** Players listed on roster must be paid in full. PLEASE PRINT (Minimum players per team is 10 players)**

Office Use Only	Name	Street	City	Zip	Phone	LP Res. Y or N	Shirt Size (circle one)	Age	Male/ Female	Date Added
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(use back for additional names)

Coaches Information (must be 18 or older)

Coch Shirt (\$6)	Name	Street	City	Zip	Phone #1 (Rain)	Phone #2	Email

Phone #1 is the primary number to contact in the event of inclement weather or other cancellations.